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Dept. of Health & Human Services
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Dear FDA,

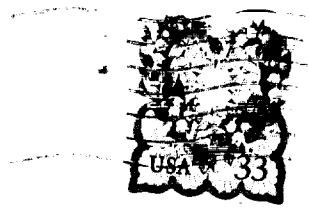
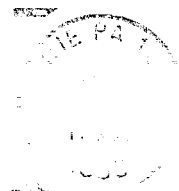
Forced molting of hens used in egg production is cruel to the birds and increases the spread of Salmonella enteritidis infection. Please grant the petition, filed under docket #98P-0203/CP, that would eliminate this practice.

Sincerely,
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